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- $\P1$. (U) Classified by Ambassador Marcelle M. Wahba for reasons 1.5 (B) and (D).
- $\underline{\mbox{1}}2.$ (C) The Ambassador raised the issue of UAE support for the Polish-led multinational division with UAE Armed Forces Chief of Staff Muhammad bin Zayid Al-Nahyan (MbZ) via letter and a follow-up phone call on June 28. Attached to the letter was the list of countries requiring transportation assistance detailed reftel. MbZ's Special Assistant, Yousef Al-Otaiba, telephoned Polchief June 30 with the UAE's official response. has agreed to provide transportation assistance to the eight European countries listed, i.e. Poland, Ukraine, Bulgaria, Hungary, Lithuania, Slovakia, Latvia and Romania. Al-Otaiba said the UAE was prepared to offer two "roll-on, roll-off" ships and one hundred hours of an Aleutian 124 aircraft to ferry the troops and their equipment to Iraq. indicated that UAE GHQ Director of Operations Brigadier Ali Al-Kaabi would be in touch with the Embassy's Acting USLO Chief for specific arrangements.
- 13. (C) On the approach to Dubai Crown Prince and UAE Defense Minister Muhammad bin Rashid Al-Maktoum (MbR) regarding vehicles for Iraq and Afghanistan, our Acting CG in Dubai has a meeting scheduled with Sayanta Basu of The Investment Office on Tuesday, July 1. We will report on the details of that meeting as soon as they are available.
- 14. (C) Comment: Given the UAE's finite military transportation resources, we believe their pledge to support the mobilization of the Polish-led division based out of Europe is appropriate and, indeed, quite generous. The UAE military would have been unable, in our opinion, to support the transportation needs of troops from some of the more far-flung areas of the globe.

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